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[Despatch Abstract.]

AGRICULTURE- G.N.P. Five Year Plan. Scheme No.4 Rural Compost making from waste Vegetable matter continuance during 1947-48 - Sanctioned.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

FROM

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To

The Secretary to Government,
Development Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

No.L.3. 965/47 dated 6-8-47.

Sir,

Sub: AGRICULTURE- Grow More Food- Making of compost from Waste Vegetable matter- continuance of the scheme- Sacntion- Requested.

Ref: G.O. No.Ms. 4038, Development Department, dated 17-10-1945.

In G.O. No.4675, Development Department, dated 1-11-44 Government directed that the scheme of rural compost making from waste vegetable matter should be worked where there are Demonstration Maistries. Accordingly, proposals were submitted in this office No.D.4. 948/44 dated 19-2-45 for subsidising the digging of compost pits in selected villages at a total cost of Rs.24000/- and in their order cited above, Government were pleased to sanction an expenditure not exceeding Rs.24000/- The Government accepted the grant of Rs.12000/- given by the Government of India to cover half the above expenditure. The sanction expires on 31-3-1947.

I submit that the existing scheme will be continued during the Currency of the five-year plan, and the total cost on this scheme will be Rs.1,20,000/- for five years from 1947-48 and to 1951-52. No special staff is required. The local Demonstration Maistries and Village establishments will attend to the work. I request that Government be pleased to sanction the continuance of the scheme and sanction Rs.1,20,000/- for the payment of subsidies for the excavation of compost pits in villages.

The expenditure will be debited to "40-d. Agriculture - Agricultural Demonstration and Propaganda- including Public Exhibition and Fairs- I.Ordinary areas- d.1. 8 other charges".

M.S. Sivaraman,
Director of Agriculture.

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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

NOTE FOR THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Sub: Agriculture- Grow More Food- Five Year Plan- Scheme No.4 Rural compost making from waste vegetable matter Continuance during 1947-48.

Summary of cost.

Major Head of account	Minor and sub head of account	Ultimate cost. recurring	Non recurring	Cost in the year of introduction. recurring.	Non-recurring.
40. Agriculture	d. Agriculture-Agricultural Demonstration and propaganda including Public exhibition and fairs I. Ordinary areas- D.I & other charges.	24,000	--	24,000	---

The Director of Agriculture has submitted proposals for the continuance of the scheme for rural compost making from waste vegetable matter sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No.4038 Development dated 17-10-45. The General outline of the scheme is as follows:-

Waste vegetable matter collected in villages will be put in a pit in heaps, cowdung will be spinkled and covered with earth. The village headman will form groups of ryots who are likely towork together. He and the Agricultural Demonstrator will decide the size of the pit which they should dig and fill. The dmonstration maistry will mark out the pit and indicate the depth. The proportion of cowdung and green stuff (i.e., so many baskets of cowdung ~~per cartload of~~ green stuff) will also be fixed by the demonstration maistry. When a member of the groups is ready to cart green stuff, he will inform the village servant in advance. The village servant will check the cart loads and baskets of cowdung and see that the earth is spread over the stuff. He will then report the fact to the Karnam who will enter the contribution in a register kept for the purpose. That register will show the name of the ryot and quantity of green manure and cowdung put into the pit by the ryot. After the pit becomes full and the compost is mantured, the length of the pit (less 1/16) will be divided under the eye of the village headman among the members of the group in proportion to the number of cart loads of green manure stuff etc., which each ryot supplied. Of the balance of 1/16 part, ¼ of it will be given to the village headman, ¼ to the Karnam, and the remaining ½ to the menial or menials who looked after the composting pit. In a united village with an active common, fund, 2/16 part of the pit may be deducted and 1/16 part may be sold in auction for the benefit of the common fund.

The scheme has been included as item 4 in the Grow More Food Five Year Plan, A provision of Rs. 24,000/- has been included in the scheme for 1947-48 as subsidy for digging compost pits. The scheme will be sanctioned up to 31-3-48 in the first instance. The Government of India have accepted the scheme in principle as one eleigible for a grant. They will be addressed for a half grant after the scheme is sanctioned. Finance Department have agreed to the scheme.

The Honourable Minister for Agriculture and Honourable Minister (Finance) have approved the proposal. The proposal is now placed before the Standing Finance Committee for approval. In view of the fact that already seven monhhs have passed in the current financial year and the Director of Agriculture's enquiry whether he can issue instructions to District Agricultural Officers to continue the scheme in anticipation of sanction of Government; it is requested that the Standing Finance Committee may approve it unanimously so as to avoid a reference to the Cabinet.

1. Budget provision under the Majore head:	Rs. 1,16,86,500
2. Actual expenditure to the end of September 1947 under the major head.	56,99,921
3. Estimate of extra expenditure on the present scheme in the current year.	24,000
4. Savings in the budget provision for other items included in the major head.	Nil
5. Total commitment in the year under the major head on account of new schemes not provided for in the budget sanctioned since the beginning of the financial year upto the end of the month of October 1947.	13,21, 084
6. Total commitment in the year under all major heads on account of new schemes (not provided for in the budget) sanctioned since the beginning of the financial year up to the end of the month of October 1947.	3,12,21,560

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Secretary to Government.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Abstract.

AGRICULTURE- Grow More Food, Five Year plan- Scheme No.4- Rural Compost making from waste vegetable matter continaunce during 1947-48- Sanctioned.

Development Department.

G.O. Ms. No. 873 Dated the 23rd February,1948.
Read the following:

G.O. No.4038 Development dated 17-10-1945.
From the Director of Agriculture No.L.3.965 D/6-8-47.

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3. The Director of Agriculture is requested to submit quarterly progress reports on the working of the scheme.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

K.G. Menon,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Agriculture.
To the Board of Revenue,
To the Accountant-General through Finance.

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